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A Bill

SENATE BILL 21

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO ALLOW REVENUE CLERKS TO ISSUE A TEMPORARY 3-DAY
EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE VEHICLE
REGISTRATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION LAW FOR
VEHICLES UNDERGOING REPAIRS TO PROCEED TO THE VEHICLE
INSPECTION STATION AND TO BE REGISTERED; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"TO PROVIDE FOR A TEMPORARY 3-DAY
EXEMPTION FROM VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND
INSPECTION LAWS FOR VEHICLES UNDER
REPAIR."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. If, at the time of vehicle registration renewal, a motor vehicle or trailer has been inoperable or is in the course of undergoing some type of a vehicle repair which makes it impossible for it to undergo a vehicle safety inspection in time for the timely renewal of its vehicle registration, then the owner may apply at the nearest state revenue office for a three (3) day exemption permit to allow it to be operated on the highways without a current motor vehicle safety inspection and without a current license plate and registration decals being attached. The three (3) day exemption permit shall be issued only for the purpose of authorizing motor vehicles to be operated while under repair and in transit from the place of the vehicle's repair to a vehicle safety inspection station, or from the vehicle safety inspection station to the point of vehicle registration.

SECTION 2. (a) Before the nearest state revenue office may issue a

1 three (3) day exemption permit under this act, a person shall file an
2 affidavit stating that his or her motor vehicle or trailer has been inoperable
3 or is undergoing some type of a vehicle repair which makes it impossible for
4 it to undergo a vehicle safety inspection in time for the timely renewal of
5 his or her vehicle registration and that his or her motor vehicle or trailer
6 needs an exemption permit to be operated while under repair and in transit
7 from the place of the vehicle's repair to a vehicle safety inspection station,
8 or from the vehicle safety inspection station to the point of vehicle
9 registration.

10 (b) If the affidavit be false, the making of the affidavit shall
11 constitute a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine of not less than
12 two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00), nor more than five hundred dollars
13 (\$500.00).

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15 SECTION 3. The three (3) day exemption permit issued under the
16 provisions of this act shall permit motor vehicles and trailers which are
17 undergoing repairs to be operated without a current vehicle registration or a
18 vehicle safety inspection on the public streets and highways of this state for
19 a period not exceeding three (3) calendar days. In the event the vehicle
20 repairs were not successful or the vehicle failed inspection, another permit
21 may be issued one (1) time for an additional three (3) days, provided,
22 however, no more than two (2) permits issued under this act may be issued to
23 any single motor vehicle or trailer during any twelve (12) month period.

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25 SECTION 4. The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration
26 is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations as he deems necessary for
27 the proper implementation of this act, including the promulgation of a uniform
28 affidavit form to be used in each state revenue office.

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30 SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
31 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
32 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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34 SECTION 6. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
35 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
36 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without

1 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
2 act are declared to be severable.

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4 SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
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